



# Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, founded on December 1, 1941, the Civil Air Patrol (CAP) started as a group of volunteers led by civilian pilots who flew their own planes at their own expense to support America's efforts in World War II, primarily by flying reconnaissance missions near the country's coasts to protect cargo ships, especially vital oil tankers that were being sunk at an alarming rate; and

**WHEREAS**, on July 1, 1946, President Harry Truman established CAP as a federally chartered nonprofit corporation, and on May 26, 1948, Congress designated CAP as the Air Force Auxiliary with three primary missions—emergency services, cadet programs and aerospace education; and

**WHEREAS**, the Civil Air Patrol carries out emergency service and disaster relief missions in the air and on the ground and has established itself among the nation's search and rescue elite; and

**WHEREAS**, the Civil Air Patrol youth program with more than 28,000 cadets offers leadership training, emergency services training, opportunities for flight and pilot training, and programs in STEM, rocketry, aeronautical, and aviation that focus on aerospace education; and

**WHEREAS**, the Hawai'i Wing Civil Air Patrol consists of 600 cadets and adult members in 11 squadrons across the state, providing emergency services, search and rescue, disaster relief, humanitarian aid, support to the U.S. Air Force through light transport, communications support, and tsunami, hurricane and tropical cyclone warnings; and

**WHEREAS**, the Hawai'i Wing Civil Air Patrol celebrated its 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year having been formed on January 17, 1947; and on December 1, 2022, the Civil Air Patrol celebrates 81 years of performing missions for America, with today's adults and cadets performing their duties with the same vigilance as CAP's founding members;

**THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor of the State of Hawai'i**, do hereby proclaim December 1, 2022 as

## **"CIVIL AIR PATROL DAY"**

in Hawai'i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join me in recognizing the significant contributions and sacrifices our Civil Air Patrol members have made dating back to World War II to this current day.

Done at the State Capitol in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this sixteenth day of November 2022.

  
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DAVID Y. IGE  
Governor, State of Hawai'i